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Miyoko ONO et al

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REPLY AND AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In complete response to the Official Action dated December 20, 1999, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Thrice Amended) A process for production of an essential oil-rich hop extract, comprising the steps of:
- (1) extracting hops which has not previously been extracted with supercritical or subcritical carbon dioxide solvent at a pressure of 80 to 100 kg/cm² to obtain a carbon dioxide extract; and
 - (2) separating an essential oil-rich hop extract from the carbon dioxide extract,

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